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CPUC SAFETY DIRECTOR ANNOUNCES RETIREMENT

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 22, 2014 - The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) today announced that the Director of its Safety and Enforcement Division, Brigadier General (CA) Jack Hagan, is retiring after almost 43 years of continuous public service.

“I want to thank all the staff of the Safety and Enforcement Division for their hard work and selfless service to public safety and the Commissioners for their support, because without both the CPUC would not have accomplished all the changes we have made to improve safety for Californians in the last two years.”

“I thank General Hagan for his dedication and work toward integrating safety in all we do,” said CPUC Executive Director Paul Clanon. “We wish him well in his retirement, and we will move to fill his shoes as quickly as possible in order to continue his good efforts.”

The CPUC has appointed Denise Tyrrell to serve as interim Director of the Safety and Enforcement Division. Tyrrell joined the CPUC in March 2009 and currently serves as its Southern California Representative, where she helps to raise awareness of the CPUC’s efforts to ensure utility service at reasonable rates, protect against fraud, and promote the health of California’s economy.

The CPUC will immediately start a search for a new Director of the Safety and Enforcement Division, which ensures that regulated services are delivered in a safe, reliable manner. The Safety and Enforcement Division has safety oversight, including investigative and enforcement roles, in a number of industries, including electric, natural gas, and telecommunications infrastructure; railroads, rail crossings, and light rail transit systems; passenger carriers; and household goods movers.

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